

Enfield Department of Public Works (DPW) Public Information

Monday, January 26, 2015

DPW started preparing for this storm yesterday and today staff was in full storm preparation. DPW efforts are being coordinated through the town's Emergency Management Director, Steve Hall. *Some* of the activities that have taken place today include:

- Emergency generators (include portables) were gassed and checked;
- Vehicles were fueled up. Gas and diesel inventories are sufficient.
- Salt supplies are adequate. Sanders/spreaders/plows all checked.
- Fueled up chainsaws (26), portable pumps (4) and checked operability.
- DPW Emergency Response Trailer prepared.
- Sand bags have been filled.
- Cots and materials have been delivered to shelter at JFK Middle School.
- Additional resources such as loaders, dump trucks, and snow blowers have been secured.

DPW crews are prepared to work throughout the storm. Employees will work as long as safely possible; then rest periods will be required. Snow plow contractors will be called in to supplement and support DPW operations, as necessary.

In order to allow us to remove snow efficiently, a town-wide PARKING BAN IS IN EFFECT. We understand that some of our snow clearing and street widening operations will push snow back onto previously cleared sidewalks and driveways. We apologize for this inconvenience. Our priority remains cleaning and widening roads for public safety access. Property owners remain responsible for their sidewalks and driveways.

Starting tomorrow, TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION HAS BEEN DELAYED TWO DAYS THIS WEEK. TUESDAY'S COLLECTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE THURSDAY, Wednesday's collections will take place Friday, etc. The transfer station will remain closed until Thursday. If you have questions or concerns, please call DPW at: 860-763-7527. For those with internet access and/or smart phones, please check the DPW Twitter account @EnfieldDPW and the DPW web site <http://www.enfield-ct.gov/306/Public-Works> for periodic updates.